

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re National Stage of International	)	
Application No. PCT/EP2003/051102	)	
under 35 U.S.C. § 371 of:	)	
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Antonio ADIGRAT et al.	)	Group Art Unit: 1791
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Application No.: 10/584,092	)	Examiner: Erin Lynn Snelting
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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

In reply to the Office Action mailed August 17, 2009, the period for response having been extended to December 17, 2009, by a request for extension of one month and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, Applicants request reconsideration of the pending claims in view of the following amendments and remarks:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** follow the amendment sections of this paper.